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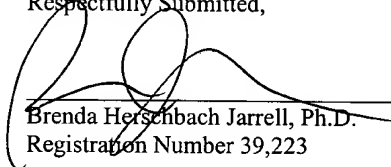
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A two (2) month extension of time, from July 5, 2003, to and including September 5, 2003 is requested to respond to the Notice to Comply with Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed May 5, 2003 in the above-referenced application. A check in the amount of \$205.00 is enclosed in view of the small entity status of the application.

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